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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re the application of: |) | |
| Tidwell, et al. |) | Confirmation No.: 7078 |
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| Serial No.: 10/758,903 |) | Art Unit: 2616 |
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| Filed: January 16, 2004 |) | Examiner: Rutkowski, Jeffrey M. |
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| For: SYSTEM AND METHOD TO BACKUP |) | Docket No.: 710101-1380 |
| COMMUNICATION OCCURRING ACROSS |) | |
| A PLURALITY OF SUBSCRIBER LINES |) | |

SECOND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In regard to the outstanding final Office Action of January 3, 2008, Applicants submit the following Second Response with amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Thomas, Kayden, Horstemeyer, & Risley, L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 20-0778.